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Taylor remembered as 'incredible friend'

DARREN LUM

Staff Reporter

The community of Wilberforce is showing immeasurable resolve and heart following the death of Highlands East 12-year-old Taylor Donaldson.

The Grade 6 Wilberforce Elementary School student died in a car crash when he was travelling with his father Ken Donaldson and younger brother Isaiah on Sunday, April 19 on Loop Road in Highlands East. His father and brother were admitted to hospital but released with non-life-threatening injuries.

The subsequent three days following the accident the school had Trillium Lakeland District School Board social workers in to provide grief counselling.

WES vice-principal Peter Ferri said he heard from students that Taylor was a wonderful boy, who had friends in all grades, including at Cardiff Elementary School.

"He was just an incredible friend. A wonderful friend. He certainly had perseverance as a student. It didn't matter what he took on. He followed through," he said.

In everything he participated in "he was a presence."

Both he and his brother, Ferri said, were the leads of the school's curling.

He points out despite geographic dif-

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OFSAA bound

The Red Hawks senior boys' doubles badminton team of Curtis Ballantyne, left, and Caleb Schmidt earned their Ontario Federation of School Athletic Associations berth by going undefeated in three matches (6-0) at the Central Ontario Secondary School Athletics championship on Tuesday, April 21. More on page 16./DARREN LUM Staff



Haliburton Forest cell tower approved by council

ANGELICA BLENICH

Staff Reporter

A proposal to construct a cell tower at the Haliburton Forest and Wild Life Reserve is moving ahead after receiving approval from council.

The tower was first proposed to council at a meeting in January of 2014, with

many area residents and nearby property owners opposed to the construction of a communications tower.

At the time, the proposal included building an 80-metre tower on the west side of Watts Road and councillors agreed to find an alternative location and look into the feasibility of a mono-pine structure.

At their April 27 meeting, Dysart coun-

cillors heard from Sean Ogilvie, representing Summit Telecom Services on behalf of Rogers Communications about a revised proposal that would see the construction of a 40-metre mono-pine structure, however, the location remains the same as originally proposed, according to director of planning Pat Martin.

The location was selected based on a set

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Haliburton to see the LED light

ANGELICA BLENICH

Staff Reporter

The following are brief reports of items discussed at an April 27 meeting of Dysart et al council.

The municipality is moving ahead with a project that will see all of the existing streetlights replaced with LED lights.

The proposal was first brought forth last summer by public works director Brian Nicholson, who submitted an expression of interest with Local Authority Services (LAS) to replace all of the existing streetlights with LED lights.

By replacing the lighting to a more energy efficient option, the municipality will be saving money over the long-term, wrote Nicholson in a report to council.

"This is a good news story," said Reeve Murray Fearrey.

Treasurer Barbara Swannell said the net cost would be around \$159,000 and the goal is to get the project going by July of this year.

The contract would be between the municipality and Real Term Energy, who would be responsible for taking out the old lights and installing the new LED lights. The new lighting is supposed to last a minimum of 10 years, said Swannell.

"It's a very big benefit for us here," she said.

"This should be a huge savings, I think we're spending about \$50,000 a year on repairs right now," said Fearrey.

Future of ball diamond in left field

The future of the ball diamond adjacent to the A.J. LaRue arena is up in the air as councillors discussed its future and the possibility of relocating it.

For years the municipality has dis-

cussed the option of converting the ball diamond into more parking and green space for the village.

While the municipality has an artist's rendering of a proposal for the space, the project would be a capital expense for council, said Fearrey.

Deputy-reeve Andrea Roberts said she thought something should be done to improve the space. Councillors agreed to put the matter back on the agenda for the May 25 meeting.

Love your Lakes to include demo sites

Chairman of the Coalition of Haliburton Property Owners Association Paul MacInnes provided councillors with an update on the shoreline restoration project undertaken by the organization, known as Love your Lakes.

Now in its second year, the project has become a huge success with more and more property owners interested in signing up for a report on the health of their lake, said MacInnes.

As a result, the CHA is getting many interested individuals asking what a naturalized shoreline would look like once complete.

The organization is requesting each municipality identify two to three potential sites that could be set-up as a demonstration site for the public to access, said MacInnes.

In addition the CHA would like to have a lead person from the municipality to work with the organization on the project.

The site should be accessible to the public with adequate parking, include space for educational signage and offer a range of restoration challenges.

Fearrey suggested the former MNR base on Head Lake.

"If you can't use the MNR site we will find you another one," he said.



Bourgeois wins SIRCH poster contest

Haliburton School of the Arts student Kristy Bourgeois was the winner of the SIRCH Community Services poster contest for the upcoming butterfly release fundraiser planned for June 14. Bourgeois, centre, is in the Digital Image Design program at the college. Left, SIRCH volunteer Terry Hartwick holds up the gift certificate Bourgeois received for the Thrift Warehouse and SIRCH executive director Gena Robertson, right, holds another version of the poster. The event will raise money for bereavement programs by releasing "painted lady" butterflies into the air in Minden. Raised at a farm in Lakefield, the butterflies can be released for a donation of \$30 each. More information: www.sirch.on.ca/2015/03/sirch-release-of-the-butterflies. JENN WATT Staff

Tower to be 250 metres from nearest home

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of criteria, to offer better cell service for areas that currently receive poor or marginal coverage, said Ogilvie.

The current proposal meets all the components of the municipality's policy regarding communication towers, except for the stipulation where Dysart recommends the tower be one kilometre away from residences. The proposed tower is 250 metres away from neighbouring properties.

Councillors asked if another location could be considered. Ogilvie said the site has been selected to offer maximum coverage to the area.

A public meeting regarding the matter was held on March 4 at the West Guilford Community Centre, as per the municipality's policy.

Feedback from the meeting was mostly in favour of the tower, however Summit Telecom received feedback opposing the tower following the meeting, said Ogilvie.

Concerns that were raised included property values decreasing, related health issues and that the tower was not one kilometre away from residences.

Ogilvie recommended deferring the decision for 21 days, giving people more time to comment before the next meeting of council, scheduled for May 25.

"For the sake of a fair process," he said.

Reeve Murray Fearrey asked if Rogers could add more equipment to an existing tower about seven kilometres from the site of the proposed tower, increasing coverage but not the necessity of an extra tower.

"Putting additional equipment on that tower will just provide redundant coverage to the same area already being covered," said Ogilvie. "It wouldn't reach far

enough north to provide enough coverage to Little Kennisis lake."

Ogilvie said moving the tower west or east from the proposed location would reduce the coverage area, keeping in mind the challenges of the county's typography.

Deputy-reeve Andrea Roberts said while Summit Telecom has compromised on the style of tower since the original proposal was brought forth, there has not been any compromise on the location.

"I don't see why you couldn't do some sort of compromise and move it," she said. "Two hundred and fifty metres from a nearby residence is not even remotely meeting our policy ... everyone is in favour of having cell service, but we're not even closely meeting our own policy, there's probably alternate locations."

President of the Kennisis Lake Cottage Owners' Association Tony Lepine spoke to council on behalf of the organization, saying they were satisfied with the proposal and ready to move ahead.

Members of the gallery echoed Lepine and asked why it was necessary to defer the decision until the May 25 meeting.

Fearrey said he was not opposed to moving ahead with the item but that Ogilvie had indicated in an email the decision would be deferred for 21 days, allowing more time for feedback.

Roberts was in favour of waiting until the May meeting to discuss the issue further, but those in attendance argued not much would change between now and the next meeting.

A resolution to approve the construction of a tower on Watts Road was tabled, with Roberts requesting a recorded vote.

All members of council voted in favour of the resolution, except for Roberts and Councillor Susan Norcross. The resolution was carried.

Ice goes out on April 21

Congratulations to Kristina Houghton who correctly guessed that the ice on Head Lake would melt away on April 21. She was the only person who guessed that date, which was when the very last clump

of ice bid us adieu and disappeared.

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Church of the Ascension stood in West Dysart

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Staff Reporter

It's what Bill Gliddon calls an almost forgotten piece of Haliburton County's history.

On a brisk but sunny Sunday morning, Gliddon, a member of St. George's Anglican Church's 150th anniversary committee, stands at the intersection of Old Donald and Tom Bolton roads with members of the church's congregation.

They are here to remember a place of worship long gone.

"It was dedicated as the Church of the Ascension and it stood on the hill," Gliddon says, motioning up Tom Bolton Road, a thoroughfare that would have been called the Ingoldsby Road in the time of the church.

The area was known as West Dysart at the time.

A small wooden building, it had a congregation of about 40 people throughout the 1870s and 1880s. Operating concurrently with St. George's Anglican Church in Haliburton, many of members would end up as congregants of the latter.

The original St. George's church was destroyed by fire in 1920 and the church that had stood in West Dysart would eventually suffer the same fate.

"Later, the Church of the Ascension also burned to the ground," Gliddon says.

Gliddon became aware of the existence of the church through local historian Leopoldina Dobrzensky's book *Fragments of a Dream*.

Dobrzensky was present at the ceremony, as was Bishop Linda Nicholls of the Toronto Diocese of the Anglican Church of Canada, who dedicated the plaque and said a prayer for all those who were part of the church's short life.



Bill Gliddon, of St. George's Anglican Church's 150th anniversary committee, stands with Bishop Linda Nicholls and Canon Anne Moore at the dedication of a plaque to commemorate the Church of the Ascension, which stood along what is now Tom Bolton Road during the 1870s and 1880s. The church, located in a settlement community known as West Dysart, would eventually burn down. /CHAD INGRAM Staff

Federal budget good for small business, chamber manager says

CHAD INGRAM

Staff Reporter

The federal 2015 budget contains a number of benefits for small business, says the manager of the Haliburton Highlands Chamber of Commerce.

Both the Harper government's federal budget and the Wynne government's provincial budget were tabled last week.

"The tax rate for small businesses will drop from 11 per cent to nine per cent," says Rosemarie Jung.

That gradual reduction is slated to begin in 2016, falling to nine per cent by January, 2019.

Jung said almost all the businesses in Haliburton County qualify as small businesses. Small businesses are those with up to 99 employees.

"Typically, we're small," she says. "A few of them might border on medium."

Medium-sized businesses are those with 100 to 499 employees and large businesses are those with 500 employees or more. The federal tax rate applies to the first \$500,000 of annual business income.

"The other big thing is the small business tax benefit," Jung says. Along with the tax rate reduction, Employment Insurance premiums paid by small businesses will also drop by 15 per cent.

Businesses that pay up to \$15,000 in annual EI premiums will benefit from this reduction, with the amount falling from \$1.88 per \$100 of payroll to \$1.60.

Bookkeeping for small operators will also become a little less onerous.

For businesses with less than \$1,000 in source reduction per month – that being the monies businesses hold for the government, such as CPP payments, etc. – new regulations in the budget mean owners can file these

payments on a quarterly basis, rather than monthly.

"In our county, that could be a fair number of businesses," Jung says, adding the new measure could help owner/operators save some time. "Every small step helps."

The director says the number of perks for small businesses contained in the budget is likely connected to the federal election scheduled for October.

"Definitely it's an election year, and it's an election budget," she says.

The provincial budget doesn't contain as many benefits for small business owners.

"This is an austerity budget," Jung says. "They're putting their fiscal house in order."

The director says the provincial government's plan to proceed with an Ontario Pension Plan is concerning.

"We're concerned about the impact on the economy," she says.

The Canadian Federation of Independent Businesses has opposed the idea, saying it would force businesses to freeze wages and cut positions.

The province has also announced plans to sell 60 per cent of Hydro One.

"It's unclear what impact that's going to have on businesses," Jung says, but added that the budget did not address business owners' concerns about rising hydro costs.

Jung says that according to a survey by the Ontario Chamber of Commerce, "the rising energy costs is the No. 1 concern for business owners."

The budget has \$15 billion earmarked for infrastructure outside of the GTA, some the county could reap benefits from.

"Every dollar governments spend on infrastructure can benefit local jobs," Jung says.

Similarly, she says funds allocated for the creation of summer job opportunities could have positive spinoff locally.

Haliburton-Kawartha Lakes-Brock MPP Laurie Scott criticized the provincial budget for heightened hydro bills and also the creation of a provincial pension plan.

"It's a recipe for disaster that doesn't address the needs of families and businesses in my riding and across the province," said in a press release.

MP Barry Devolin praised his government's budget in a release, calling it, "the first balanced budget since the Great Recession." He said the government's Economic Action Plan would continue to create jobs in the riding in 2015.

Critics have panned the federal budget for catering to the rich with new income-splitting rules and boosting TFSA, as well as drawing \$2 billion from a contingency fund in order to achieve at \$1.4 billion surplus.

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— Rosemarie Jung
Chamber of Commerce manager

Auxiliaries association tightening its belt

CHAD INGRAM

Staff Reporter

In trying economic times, many organizations are feeling the proverbial pinch, and the Hospital Auxiliaries Association of Ontario is one of them.

Association president Elen MacMillan told attendees of the HAAO's central east region spring conference at the Pinestone on April 23 that the organization is trying to make changes in order to keep

its costs down.

One of those changes has been reducing the length of the association's annual convention in Toronto from four days to two.

"Costs in Toronto are rising and we can't do anything about that," MacMillan said. "Hotels are businesses. They must make money."

It has also been suggested that the convention be moved from downtown Toronto.

"We, as an executive, are definitely

trying to keep expenses down," MacMillan said, adding that she personally just submits gas bills for compensation, instead of receiving mileage payments.

Last April, MacMillan, from Sudbury, put 5,500 kilometres on her vehicle attending conferences and meetings.

She criticized the upper levels of government for not providing auxiliaries with any funding.

"We get no financial support provincially or federally," she said. "Any group that contributed over \$20 million in funds last year should get some help from the government."

Thursday's meeting included networking, roundtable discussions and a number of speakers including Haliburton Highlands Health Services CEO Varouj Eskedjian, Kawartha Lakes Family Health Team executive director Mike Perry and Fay Wilkinson, a local artists who conducts art therapy for seniors.

More than 120 representatives of the 11 auxiliaries in the province's central east region attended.

Of those auxiliaries, the oldest is the Ross Memorial Hospital Auxiliary, founded in 1904. The youngest is the Minden Health Care Auxiliary, founded in 2000.



Tracey Lear and Val DuManoir, presidents of the Haliburton Auxiliary and Minden Health Care Auxiliary, take the mike at the spring conference of the central east region of the Hospital Auxiliaries Association of Ontario at the Pinestone on April 23. /CHAD INGRAM Staff



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Revenue and interest continue to grow at farmers' markets

JENN WATT

Editor

Cottagers, visitors and residents flock to the county's farmers' markets with revenue and vendor numbers steadily increasing year over year.

On the cusp of starting a third market in the county, the Haliburton County Farmers Market Association has released statistics and budget figures backing up the solid financial shape and positive economic impact it has made in the last six years.

"The earnings overall were a 47 per cent increase in 2014 over 2013 with a 12.5 per cent increase in attendance," said Fay Martin, treasurer of the board of directors.

Since its founding in 2009, the market association has put money away in reserves and hasn't applied for any grant money in two years. Martin said the association is now stable enough to reduce table fees for vendors.

In 2014, vendor revenue was reported by the association to be more than \$285,000 with 23,000 patrons visiting the Carnarvon and Haliburton locations throughout the season.

Attendance was up at the Carnarvon market by 24 per cent to 10,241 with earnings up 50 per cent.

In Haliburton, attendance actually dropped 28 per cent in the last year, but vendor earnings increased 44 per cent to about \$154,500.

At their annual general meeting on April 16, Martin presented a balanced budget, which will include absorbing the costs of the new market planned for Saturdays in Minden's downtown. (There is additional help

from Minden Hills in getting that market going.)

Association president Angel Taylor said the success of the market has exceeded expectations and is now providing real income to local small-scale food producers.

"It's not the Green Belt, but people are learning how to work with the environment and produce on a small scale, which the market is well suited to being an outlet for them," she said.

Forty-one vendors have signed up for the coming season, already outpacing the numbers for previous years, which hovered in the mid-20s on average.

Taylor said two-thirds of the agricultural vendors are from Haliburton County and that those from outside are brought in to ensure the market has more than 50 per cent agricultural produce for sale as is mandated.

Over the last six years, the stability of the market as an income source has encouraged new food producers to begin operation and has helped others stay afloat financially. Taylor gives the example of one food producer who started attending last year with half a table. This year, he has booked two at each market.

"We have six new – mostly young – vendors," Taylor says. "This illustrates the way in which the market is fostering agricultural development in an area where it's been very difficult."

New this year is market manager Marla Force, who has spent the last two seasons volunteering at the Abbey Gardens booth. With this being the first year of a third market, Force said she has her work cut out for her, but is looking forward to continuing the trajectory of the market.

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Students create memorial wall for friend

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ferences WES and CES are one school from kindergarten to Grade 8. There has also been support offered from Point in Time Centre for Children, Youth and Parents to allow home counselling.

A memorial wall was started by the students where a bulletin board was filled with notes, artwork and cards. The school has also framed some of his artwork, which will be delivered by faculty to his mother and brother.

Although only one-third of the student population came Monday, those that did demonstrated solidarity.

The Grade 7s and 8s went and stayed with Taylor's class for most of the day.

This is something that has affected everyone, Ferri said.

“Everybody’s connected. A lot of cousins and then friends within the community where he lived,” he said.

A crowd funding campaign through gofundme was started by Taylor's uncle Cory Warburton.

There has been \$14,031 of a \$15,000 goal raised by 190 people as of Monday, April 27.

The money raised will help with funeral service costs. A recent update from the website thanked the community for its support.

"On behalf of the family I would like to thank everyone for their donations. The outpouring of generosity and condolences from friends, family and neighbours has been overwhelming. The family is so blessed to have such a loving family and community to support them. Even though no amount of money can bring Taylor back or pay for this loss this will assist the family greatly. Thank you again to all who have donated," it said.

"Taylor was a smart young man who always had a smile on his face. He was very intelligent and an excellent student. He was adored by everyone who knew him," it reads. "His parents are both hard workers but as many families they barely make ends meet. They now have been left with the death of a child. This is a thing that no parent should ever have to go through. Anything would be appreciated. We thank all who contribute to this family."



The memorial wall was established last week by friends and peers of Wilberforce Elementary School Grade 6 student Taylor Donaldson following his death on Sunday, April 19. /DARREN LUM Staff



On April 22 at Wanakita, 25 TLDSE elementary schools participated in an Eco Summit. There were eco-friendly workshops and environmental stewardship activities led by Fleming College students, Wanakita staff, Kawartha Conservation and the Ontario Federation of Anglers and Hunters. Above, students participated in a local ingredient/cooking activity. The purpose of the activity was to teach kids about local and global foods and included a cooking portion. Photo submitted by Marie-lee Zahab



Other students learning about birdwatching at the Eco Summit.

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Forever in our memories: Creighton Feir

Losses

THE WEATHER last week mirrored the way many of us felt as we heard that a young boy in Wilberforce, Taylor Donaldson, had passed away. Two days later, a community organizer in Haliburton, Alex Bell, also died.

Taylor was remembered by the vice-principal of Wilberforce Elementary School Peter Ferri as “a wonderful friend” to other students and a dedicated pupil.

Grieving students created a memorial wall at the school to remember their friend and the board sent in counselors to help the school community deal with the tragedy.

In Haliburton, the sudden death of Alex Bell left many wondering how someone with such a huge personality could no longer be with us.

Alex and his wife Cathy orchestrated Terror on Wonderland Road, the haunted house that raised money and food for the food bank. Alex also headed up the Zombie Walk through Haliburton Village in the fall.

He was a fervent supporter of the fish hatchery and could be counted on to get the word out about fundraisers or the importance of fishing to our seasonal economy. The best place to find Alex was at Baked and Battered, the coffee shop in town he affectionately referred to as his office.

The losses in the last week have affected so many across the county – a testament to how much they were loved and appreciated.

An Earth Day pledge

No matter your political stripe, supporting the Blue Dot campaign makes a lot of sense. In Minden last week, Environment Haliburton and supporters of the David Suzuki Foundation initiative held two awareness raising events to expose people to the concept of putting a healthy environment in the Canadian constitution.

Timed to coincide with Earth Day, the launch attracted about 40 people to Nature’s Place where it was pointed out that the City of

Kawartha Lakes had already passed a resolution recognizing the right to a healthy environment.

Given that Canada hasn’t been doing particularly well on the environment front of late, this campaign is one worth backing.

According to the most recent ranking by the Centre for Global Development, compared to the 26 other

richest countries in the world, Canada came in dead last for environmental protection in 2014. “Canada is not party to the Kyoto Protocol and has high fossil-fuel production, high greenhouse gas emissions, and low gas taxes, putting it at the bottom,” a brief about the results reads.

As the Blue Dot campaign points out, 110 nations around the world have already recognized the right to a healthy environment, but so far Canada has not.

This isn’t a matter of right- or left-wing politics – our environment shouldn’t be a partisan issue – let’s embrace the Blue Dot campaign and the rights of everyone to clean air, water and land. More at bluedot.ca.



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Editorial



Spring textures

by Darren Lum

Wise parenting

IRECENTLY RETURNED from a three-day silent meditation retreat. There were no books, journals or technology for the duration. Everyone was silent from Thursday at 7 p.m. to Sunday at 10:30 a.m. It is an opportunity to attend to your own heart and body for the entire time. The theme of the retreat was “Your life is your practice” and we contemplated ideas such as how we bring compassion, kindness, non-judgmental awareness and wisdom to all the moments of our days whether we are eating, working, walking, brushing our teeth, parenting or being with emotions like anger, sadness, joy, love, grief, anxiety, depression, etc.

In other words, whatever is going on in your life is the practice in that moment. We practice slowing down and being very present and mindful on the retreat and then of course the practice continues in our lives at home.

Over time we get stronger at sustaining the awareness, compassion, lightness and wisdom regardless of challenging circumstances. Sometimes we are better at it than others and there is an acceptance of that. We can always start again. Every day is a new day. The retreat leader was teaching about living with wise action and wise speech at one point during the weekend. We were asked to consider how we bring that into our lives. It was good to contemplate.

Several days after the retreat I was speaking with my friend who is principal of a kindergarten to Grade 8 school in Waterloo. She was telling me how 33 boys and girls and her Grade 7/8 classes were under police investigation because of naked photos being taken and shared with cell-phones. Phones

had been confiscated and pictures had been viewed by the police and then deleted.

Headlines in newspapers referred to a child pornography ring uncovered. Charges were being considered from possession of child pornography to distribution of child pornography. As I listened to my friend all I could think of was our community and our kids and how this ability to share naked photos is an unintended consequence of cell-phones.

I’m sure no parents ever give their kids a cell-phone thinking this is going to happen. But it is happening everywhere. And I started to think about what we need to do as a society to change this.

How do we teach our children about what is public and what is private when there is so much around them in the media, Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, cell-phones, etc., that lets anyone put anything out into the world in an instant? As I parent I worry about the world my daughter is growing up in. And then I come back to the retreat and the possibilities around wise parenting, wise action, wise conversation and how that can apply to wise use of technology.

As parents, we are the only ones who can teach our kids in a wise and compassionate way about these things. And we must. We have to have regular conversations that don’t shut the kids down but instead open the door for good conversations about how they deal with challenging circumstances they face. As parents we have to keep evolving and staying present with the realities of the world that our kids are living in. It wasn’t possible for us to send a naked picture when we were their age. It is now.

Tales from the great



Lynda Shadbolt

green meadow



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points of view

The importance of being Ernest

JUST THIS MORNING, it happened again. I commented about a tangerine that had a dent in it. Then, like anyone would do given the same circumstance, placed it in the centre of my face like a clown nose and smiled.

Jenn merely looked at me and said, "I suppose you are going to write a whole column about this."

Of course, she could not have been further from the truth. A dented tangerine clown nose doesn't warrant a full column – unless of course, you happen to be wearing oversized clown shoes at the time, which unfortunately, I was not.

As surprising as this might be to some of you, I get pigeon-holed like this all the time.

People just assume that all I do is write about nonsense.

I'll admit I might have written a column or two to contribute to this myth. Perhaps I'll even concede sometimes I bypass serious issues – although just two weeks ago I wrote about the great divide between those of us who love liver and onions and those who

don't. And last week I wrote about how kids these days don't know how to make good excuse for not doing their homework. In fact, they rarely, if ever blame dogs anymore.

All this is to say, somewhere along the way, I probably wrote something serious, say directions to my home – perhaps by accident.

That's beside the point however.

There are two kinds of writers.

Those who write like Ernest Hemingway and those who write like Ernest P. Worrell, the star of such movies as *Ernest Goes to Camp* and *Ernest Saves Christmas*.

I happen to be a student of the Worrell school of writing.

That's different than what most writers aspire to. They, for some strange reason, would rather be compared to Hemingway. This might be because there is a certain romance and mystique about Hemingway.

But more likely it is because he is the father of sparse prose, which English professors will tell you was a modern, thoughtful style of writing he pioneered.

Those of us who write for a living know better, however. I suspect this was merely Hemingway's slick way of ensuring he got paid more per word than others when he at a flat rate.

For instance, if a magazine was paying \$1,000 for a feature and Hemingway did it sparsely in 750 words, he could have told other writers he was paid \$1.33 a word. On the other hand, if some wordy writer did that same feature in 1,000 words for \$1,000, I would have been paid one dollar per word, which is a mere 75 per cent of what Hemingway made per word.

Sure, we would have walked away with the same money, but Hemingway would have been smug in the knowledge that he did less for it.

That perhaps is at the heart of the matter. No one gets into writing because they are looking for a life of hard work.

The great writers, in fact, have figured out how to do less with more. Some, like Hemingway, did it with an economy of words. Other greats, who modesty prevents me from naming, do it by writing about dented tangerines.

This is not to say that I am in the same league as Hemingway – no matter what people say.

Hemingway is an icon. Like Kim Kardashian he is almost as famous for who he was as what he did. Unlike Kim Kardashian, he never blew up the Internet, though I suspect after seeing what it has done to journalism, would have liked to.

All this is to say that Hemingway was larger than life.

He loved bull fighting, went on crazy adventures to dangerous places, fell in love at the drop of a hat, survived two plane crashes and routinely got into bare-knuckled boxing matches on the beach.

Which, if you think about it, is essentially the plotline of every Ernest movie.



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Loon Tales



pic of the past

Cec was one of four boys of the Jack and Jemima Coneybeare family.

This photo is of Cec with his much loved 1928 Ford. Behind him is the old black bridge.

The main street continues up the hill where his parents' home was and his own home beyond.

Cec worked for the Hodgson Lumber Co. On Jan. 2, 1946 he and his brother Lloyd left Haliburton to deliver a load of special lumber for the storied Peterborough Canoe Co. When they got there, Cec checked the load and discovered the boards on the truck's rollers had shifted. He attempted to straighten them so the lumber could be unloaded safely. Then the unexpected happened. The truck slid slowly back on the icy road which caused the whole load to come crashing down on Cec. It was a terrible accident and his death was a shock and loss to his family, wife Bernice, and the community.

Submitted by Tom Hodgson

letters to the editor

Disgusted, frustrated, disappointed in Gooderham litterbugs

To the Gooderham Litterbugs,

Thank you so much for sharing your holiday celebration with us... it must have been quite an event!

We are so impressed that you took the trouble to set the table with festive snowman cups and tablecloth, accessorized with orange and blue plastic cutlery - the decorative rim on all the many Chinnet plates and bowls must have matched so well! We were somewhat concerned with the number of cigarette packages (Belmont and Number 7) considering there was a baby present but hope with even those cases of Lowenbrau and Corona, supplemented with Stella and Carling, that you

would have smoked apart from the children.

Did they enjoy their gifts? The toy boxes indicate a range of ages but we're sure all enjoyed the Kinder Surprise eggs. Did the baby gobble up the broccoli, pea and brown rice mixture or were all the 12 litres of apple juice and numerous Oasis drinking boxes enough to spoil his or her appetite? Judging by the many, many diapers left behind, the baby did his share of drinking as well! You'll be happy to learn that the tape has held well on more than a couple of dozen and only broken open on 10 or so. We sincerely hope that you didn't need to use all 1,160 wipes from the discarded carton; you would have been too busy to

see BOAT page 8

BOONiEVille



To submit your letter to the editor,
email jenn@haliburtonpress.com

points of view

Boat landing left filthy

from page 7
enjoy the party!
Judging by the numerous grocery bags, you did a great deal of shopping at No Frills but we did notice the Caesar croutons were a Walmart product. We'd love to know if that's where you also purchased the cases of Coke and ginger ale as well as the Doritos, Lays classic chips and Perrier - we all love to find the best prices!
Imagine our surprise finding these clues and so much more of your holiday waste when off on a spring hike to the public boat landing! Like you, we look forward to celebrations with family and friends here in the

Haliburton Highlands; unlike you, we respect the space we share and recycle our waste or tote it to the dump or garbage disposal. Having been pushed by the snow plow then ripped apart by animals and spread through the forest for many metres, your holiday celebration memories will likely fade long before your garbage disappears. Each time we come to the landing, we will be met by the shards of blue cutlery and sparkly ribbons twisted in the branches...

Thanks for sharing!
Chris and Nancy Sainthill

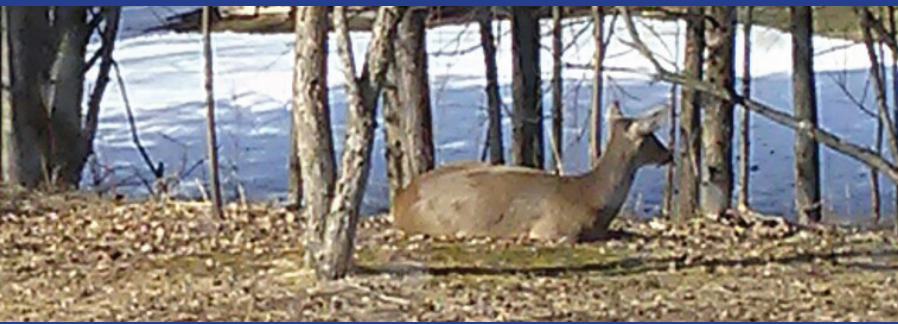


The public boat launch was littered with an array of human garbage including diapers, chips and cigarette packages.

Online Opinions: Tweets and messages from readers

What's your favourite sign of spring in the Haliburton Highlands?

David Hunter
The deer enjoying the warmth of spring. Taken in backyard in Minden.



Bob Noble
It's when the deer come out of the woods to roam around after a harsh winter.

Haliburton County Development Corporation
Spring is here for me when the marsh marigolds are blooming in the ditches.

Carol Ann Darling
The ice melting on the lakes and chipmunks showing up looking for food.

Tammy Milton-Needham
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New staff planned for mental health services

CHAD INGRAM

Staff Reporter

The following are brief reports of items discussed during an April 23 meeting of the Haliburton Highlands Health Services board.

Haliburton Highlands Mental Health Services will be getting new, regulated staff.

"Most of the staff with our community mental health services are unregulated mental health professionals," CEO Varouj Eskedjian told board members, adding that as current employees retire, they will be replaced by regulated mental health staff.

One nurse has been hired and the organization will soon look to hire a social worker. Eskedjian noted that no one will be laid off.

Eskedjian also explained a new, proactive approach to mental health crisis mitigation, whereby mental health workers, together with local OPP officers, will visit mental health clients known to go into crisis to check up on them.

"To say, 'How are you doing? Are you on your meds?'" Eskedjian said. "We know who tends to go into crisis."

Board changes

There will be some changes to the HHHS board, with the departure of four members. Jacquie Richards and Beverley Upton will step down at the end of the organization's fiscal year and long-time members Carol Groves and Doug Gilpin, who's served as treasurer and finance chairman, will also retire from the board. Nominating committee chairman

Len Logoza said the committee had been in discussion with three qualified people, who will likely be added to the board at the upcoming annual general meeting.

"It looks like we'll have some good replacements for our departing members," Logoza said, thanking those members for their contributions.

Under its terms of reference, the board can have a minimum nine and maximum 14 members.

More information

Community advisory committee chairman Dave Coulson told the board that residents are seeking more information on how to find health services.

"One of the common themes is people have difficulty getting access to service... because they don't know where to go to access service."

Coulson suggested the creation of some kind of "blue book," a directory listing services and contact numbers.

Not many people are aware, for example, that HHHS has a respite bed, Coulson said, adding that service needed to be booked in advance.

Hand hygiene

Eskedjian told the board that most doctors at HHHS do a good job meeting hand hygiene requirements.

"Our physicians aren't bad," Eskedjian said, explaining the group as whole is in about the 88th percentile, province wide.

However, the doctors are being outshone by residents at the Minden and Haliburton facilities, who achieved 100 per cent compliance with hand hygiene requirements.

Million-dollar year

HHHS Foundation executive director Dale Walker told board members the Foundation has raised \$1.1 million this fiscal year, in part thanks to generous

bequests.

"That's something we don't always know we're going to get," said Walker, adding the Foundation had another \$450,000 coming its way from another estate.

This Week In...

Stories from our archives

2005 (Tuesday, April 26)

Bail conditions set for woman accused of stabbing her husband

A Minden woman charged with aggravated assault for stabbing her husband must abstain from communicating with him.

It is one of the conditions of her bail granted on April 20. She has also been ordered to reside with surety, notify the Haliburton OPP of any intention of moving, and not to go to the place of residence or work of her husband without an OPP officer or official escort.

She is to observe a curfew unless she's with the person serving as her surety. She is not to be alone with the couple's children. She is not allowed to have or apply for firearms or weapons.

On April 26, a Minden man was flown by air ambulance to St. Michael's health centre in Toronto with non-life-threatening stab wounds. Police are not releasing his name, or the name of his wife, to protect the couple's children.

1995 (Tuesday, April 25)

Province closes Bark Lake

A tradition of nearly 50 years of leadership education at the renowned Bark Lake Leadership Centre will come to an end this summer.

The provincial Ministry of Culture, Tourism and Recreation announced last Tuesday it will close the centre's gates on August 31 because it can no longer afford its \$1.2 million annual operating budget.

"I think Bark Lake is a victim of the general feeling that taxpayer dollars need to be saved no matter what," said Rob Heming, the centre's general manager. "That means there are going to be some significant changes which people are not going to like."

The province plans to call in its real estate arm, the Ontario Realty Corporation, to find a buyer for the 350 acre Glamorgan property, said Dean Williams, a spokesman for Minister Anne Swarbrick.



Palliative Care Suite Concept



Family Room Concept

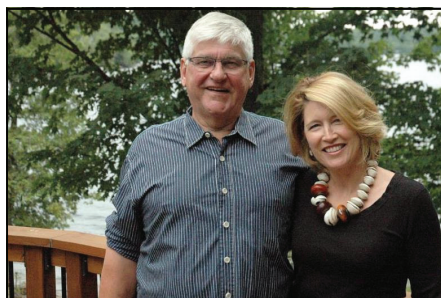


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Scam attempts anger Maple Lake resident

DARREN LUM

Staff Reporter

It was on Friday, April 17 when Carol Ann Henstra, 73, was called to fix a computer problem.

The Maple Lake-area resident noticed 60 red x's with words beside them pop on her screen.

Nothing she did could get rid of them.

She received a phone call later that day.

A friendly voice came on telling her it was Cameron and for a \$99 he would be able to help prevent this from happening for six months. For \$199, he would prevent it for a year. For only \$100 more it would never happen again.

When her husband Sid Henstra, 76, learned of this he was livid.

"The way they got in [to our computer] it kind of scares you," he said.

After the first call, there were four more. The second one Henstra and his wife listened together then hung up,

believing it was a scam. They received three calls on Friday and then another Saturday morning and another a few days later.

Henstra said his wife "almost went for it."

He points out when he took the receiver on one of the calls the scammers specifically asked to "talk to the lady."

At first he thought it was a Bell problem so he contacted the company to complain.

They directed him to call the Canadian Anti-Fraud Centre.

Henstra also visited the Haliburton Highlands OPP detachment in Minden.

Although the anti-fraud centre does not solve crimes, it's important to report fraud because the collected information can be a "key piece to a national or international investigation."

From the Canadian Anti-Fraud Centre website (www.antifraudcentre-centreantifraude.ca), there are three top scams: service, extortion and prize.

The anti-fraud centre reports there were 33 complaints and 12 victims who lost \$3,677 last year in mass marketing fraud (over telephone/facsimile and email/Internet),

which was far less than the \$44,818 lost by 13 victims in 2013 for Haliburton County. In 2012, \$10,913 was lost.

Already, this year there have been 10 complaints and five victims who lost \$3,520.

Henstra wonders how many seniors who have been contacted like this don't call anyone.

Talking with neighbours, he said, some have already paid.

Henstra said his wife and a friend resolved the computer problems and have since changed passwords.

Sid has considered switching to a cellphone, but has relented because many local friends wouldn't be able to contact the Henstras without a landline.

Although he is satisfied with how it was handled and is confident the problem will be resolved, he knows there are seniors who can't afford to pay for such lessons.

The \$199 "is a hardship [to lose] for a lot of people."

He hopes others can learn from his experience.

"We do for those that can't," he said. "If I was frail I wish other people would do that for me."

Call the anti-fraud centre at 1-888-495-8501.

Earth Day forum stirs up new ideas

DARREN LUM

Staff Reporter

Every fulfilled and realized idea needs corresponding action.

There was no denying the excitement and optimism felt by the participants of the Earth Day Community Forum on Wednesday, April 22 at the Bonnie View Inn in Haliburton.

However for some who have attended similar forums, they know the realization of an idea is where the value truly exists.

Organized by the Haliburton Highlands Chamber of Commerce and the Haliburton Highlands Land Trust, the day-long forum was facilitated by Jeff Kohl, a consultant with the Ontario Healthy Communities Coalition and brought together a diverse mix of Highlands stakeholders such as environmental programs and services providers, municipal representatives and staff, business owners, and government agency representatives.

The purpose was to allow stakeholders to come together to recognize environmental products, services and programs, while addressing community needs and creating partnerships to benefit the local economy and the environment.

Minden Hills Reeve Brent Devolin was impressed by the passion of the participants, but reminded the room to be patient.

"It's reflective of the years I've lived in this community. Speaking for all of the elected people here in the room: We take this stuff seriously. We may not be able to do everything on your wish list. The timing of them – I'm looking at you [Councillor] Pam [Sayne] – may not come as quickly as you like, but it's a journey. We have come some ways



Marianne Fenninger, left, with husband Lou shared their experience and knowledge with a small group that included Minden Hills councillor Pam Sayne, who is also a home inspector, and Larry Giles of the Haliburton County Historical Society about their net zero building and applying it to a community at the Earth Day Community Forum on Wednesday, April 22 at the Bonnie View Inn in Haliburton. Organized by the Haliburton Highlands Land Trust in partnership with the Haliburton Highlands Chamber of Commerce, the event brought together a diverse mix of local stakeholders with an interest in the environment and economic development. /DARREN LUM Staff

in this regard and continue on this path. We receive them thoughtfully and will try to do something positive about them," he said.

The forum included an opportunity to map the local strengths, successes and opportunities, which included creativity, innovation, cooperation and communication.

Once the forum's participants broke into small groups a list of ideas was established.

It included involving youth, tennis school, holistic health funding, net zero building, solar, forming an environmental business collective and environmental education resource website, create vehicle free spaces, official plans and an abattoir.

Nearing the end of the forum, the smaller groups presented their thoughts on how to carry the idea to fruition to the rest of the group.

For youth engagement, the group's spokesperson Aaron Walker said it's important to facilitate a method for youth to explain what they want.

The best way is to communicate using the language they know best, which means a social media campaign needs to be launched to learn about concerns and thoughts on making this a prosperous community.

Local farmer Jean Tyler believes in a local abattoir.

Although there are challenges with regulation and a need for capital investment, a county abattoir will allow farmers to do more than butcher meat; it could be a multi-use facility that includes an incinerator. Besides farmers, local restaurants could benefit.

The viability of an abattoir was further encouraged when a participant said the community of Emo, located in Rainy River, with a population of close to 1,200 has had an abat-

toir since 2010.

Algonquin Highlands Reeve Moffatt said during official plan work when there is a public meeting available the public needs to come if they want to be part of the process.

"Please, show up. We can't give the community what you want if you don't come out [to public forums]," she said.

At the end, the event's participants were asked by Kohl to organize themselves into three different categories by moving to one of three places in the room.

The room was divided closely between those who were happy with the results and optimistic while the other group was to see if action will follow.

Everyone agreed a future meeting in the next few months is necessary to put ideas into action.

There was a tentative agreement to a meeting in September.

Kohl challenged those who pitched an idea to get in touch with those who signed up for an idea to meet before the tentative fall meeting. This will harness the momentum built from the forum.

"It is true that maybe the chamber and the land trust can provide a bit of temporary backbone for some of this work, but there is nobody on standby to make all of this happen," he said. "I'm suggesting partly self-organizing might be the way to go."

Kohl said he expects to complete his "as heard" report on the forum within two weeks.

Anyone interested in the report should contact the chamber or the land trust.

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Community Builders

Gordon Cochrane

JENN WATT

Editor

Throughout the winter months, Gordon Cochrane made the 40-kilometre drive from his home on Haliburton Lake into town to coach boys' basketball at the high school.

Five days a week, Cochrane put in four hours a day between coaching alongside head coach Dave Waito and assistant coach Sam Little and driving back and forth.

It's a substantial time commitment, and one that changed the retired lawyer's winter plans, but he says the reward was worth the sacrifice.

"I've enjoyed it very much," says Cochrane, 70. "Two of my comments [about volunteering] have been: one, most guys my age just hang around other old people and I get to hang around young people. Also, we had 15 guys on the team and there wasn't a jerk among them; all really nice guys."

Cochrane first got involved with youth basketball through the Steve Nash program that runs in the spring. "I met some of the young guys and it was clear to me they needed more emphasis on fundamentals and playing basketball and there was nothing going on in the summertime," he says.

So he started up a new program, offering workouts twice a week in the summer.

Cochrane knows about the power of

practice and dedication to sport.

Even though he played college basketball at Macalester College in Minnesota, success didn't come right away. In high school, he was cut year after year from the school team. Eventually he asked the coach why he was never selected.

"He said you have to live with a basketball during the summer. So I did and I tried out and made the team in my senior year."

In Haliburton, attention to fundamentals and stretching training out throughout the summer has given the team an edge. Two seasons ago, the boys' team had a record of zero wins for 17 games. This season they won nine of 14.

"It was a matter of getting them to buy into stuff and they were very appreciative," he says.

A Canadian by birth, Cochrane was raised in the States and lived much of his working life in Chicago. When he was growing up, his family had a cottage on Haliburton Lake and when he neared retirement, that same lake started to call to him.

Thirteen years ago, he and his wife Chris bought a property on the lake and spend time in the Highlands and in Chicago.

Besides coaching basketball, Cochrane also spends time with a Little Brother through the Big Brothers Big Sisters program. The pair hang out once a week, usually playing basketball, but also going to the library or grabbing a bite to eat in town.



In Chicago, Cochrane ran a mentorship program for black youth whose fathers were no longer around.

When he retired and began spending time in Haliburton, he realized he wanted to continue being a mentor.

"I thought, you know, I'm retired and all I'm doing is just being totally selfish and having fun myself and felt like I wanted to do more. I enjoyed working with young people ... so I approached Big Brothers in Lindsay and they found this match for me," he says. "I look at it as an extended friendship. We have a lot of fun together."

Cochrane is still in touch with many of the men who went through his program as youth in Chicago since 1995.

Another notable volunteer experience was Cochrane's involvement in the Barack Obama presidential campaign.

He remembers marching in a rally against the Iraq War around 2002 or 2003 in Chicago. "There was only one state office holder who spoke at the rally in downtown Chicago and it was Barack Obama," he says. "Then a couple of years later he was running for the U.S. Senate and a friend of ours had 12

of us over to their home to meet him and so he just sat and talked to us for three hours. Then I got to hear him up close and personal and then I was sold on him."

When Obama declared he was running for president, Chris and Gordon were out knocking on doors in Iowa in -13°C temperatures, looking for votes. They did it again in 2012.

"When he won that night we were all in this big ballroom in Detroit watching election results on the big screens and all of a sudden they announced he was president. I can still see some of the people jumping up and down ... they were so thrilled."

Cochrane's current campaign is making more space available for people interested in basketball. He's been working alongside Dysart et al's recreation co-ordinator Andrea Mueller to have the high school open in the summer for people to play and Mueller has approached the school board for the space.

Unlike larger centres that have YMCAs or other facilities for young people, Haliburton Village relies on the infrastructure it has, he says.

He hopes the board will provide space to allow more extracurriculars year-round.



Promoting a healthy environment

The Green Man, right, led close to 20 participants in a march through Minden's downtown, starting at the Haliburton County office to the fire hall and back for the Connecting the Blue Dots event organized by Environment Haliburton! on Sunday, April 19. This event, which is part of the Blue Dot Movement to secure the right to a healthy environment with the Charter of Rights and Freedoms, launched the Haliburton Highlands effort by "symbolically connecting the blue dots with other Blue Dot campaigns." There were 84 communities across the country holding the same event. EH! supporters said there are already more than 110 countries that recognize the right to a healthy environment. See www.bluedot.ca and www.environmenthaliburton.ca for more information. Blue Dot is a project of the David Suzuki Foundation and sponsors.

/DARREN LUM Staff

Community committee forms

A new committee of the Haliburton Highlands Health Services board has formed with the agenda of identifying needs, difficulties and barriers to health care from a community perspective.

The Community Advisory Committee is headed up by David Coulson and intends to provide advice to the HHHS board of directors about services for Haliburton County.

Community members on the committee: Jordana Bain, Sandra Loucks Campbell, Margery Cartwright, David Coulson, Lee Dupuis, Kay Godden, Maureen Moore, Sharon Morissette, Sue Newell, Dorothy Owens, Jerry Rome, John Smith, James Thomson and Connie Wood. HHHS board is represented by David Bonham and John Kay.

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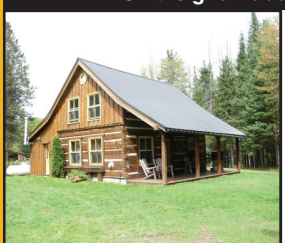
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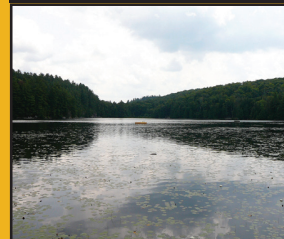
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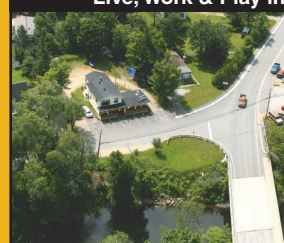
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Students show celebrates semester of art and design

Items from practical to whimsical were on display during the show. JENN WATT Staff



Cathy Gainham stands at her booth at the I Made It show, which featured magnets, coasters, wallets and more with tech-inspired themes including Grumpy Cat and 1990s floppy disk designs. Her work is created by melting plastic beads together. You can see more at practicallygeeky.storenvy.com.



Above, jewelry artist Amanda Snider shows off some of her work created during her time in the certificate program at Haliburton School of the Arts. Her business is called Whimsical Jewellery and she intends to follow up her Fleming College training with more studies at Georgian College.

At left, visitors wandered the aisles of art at Haliburton School of the Arts on Saturday, April 25 in the Great Hall for the I Made It end-of-semester show and sale. There was plenty to see with glasswork, painting, drawing, jewelry, metalwork and more.

Events

Haliburton ATV Season Openers

The Haliburton ATV season opens up this year with an exciting line-up of rides and events. Tune up your machines and get ready to ride the beautiful Highlands. Watch the land waking up from the winter fury, striving to attain the majestic beauty it achieves in summer and fall. Breathe deeply and take in the breathtaking views.

The President's Ride takes place on Saturday, May 2 with a ride up Anson Mountain. A scenic ride, it's one of the most popular trails in the county. After the ride South Wind Motel will host a barbecue to mark the end of the perfect day.

A two-day event on May 23 and 24 marks the third annual Deep Wood Safari taking place in Gooderham this year. Two days of riding local trails (lunches included), a delicious roast beef dinner on the eve of the first day and thousands of dollars' worth of prizes make this event very popular.

June 20 in Minden marks the day of the annual HATVA Mud Bog, an event held in conjunction with the Minden Kinsmen's Truck Pull and Shine. Once again cash prizes will attract true enthusiasts from around the province as well as local competitors. There will be a free youth training ride for children under 12 years old, emphasizing safe riding and handling of machines.

Check the Haliburton ATV website at www.haliburtonatv.com for registration details and for a list of rides for the rest of the season. There will be nine organized rides in all, including two poker runs, fundraisers for Stanhope and Highlands East.

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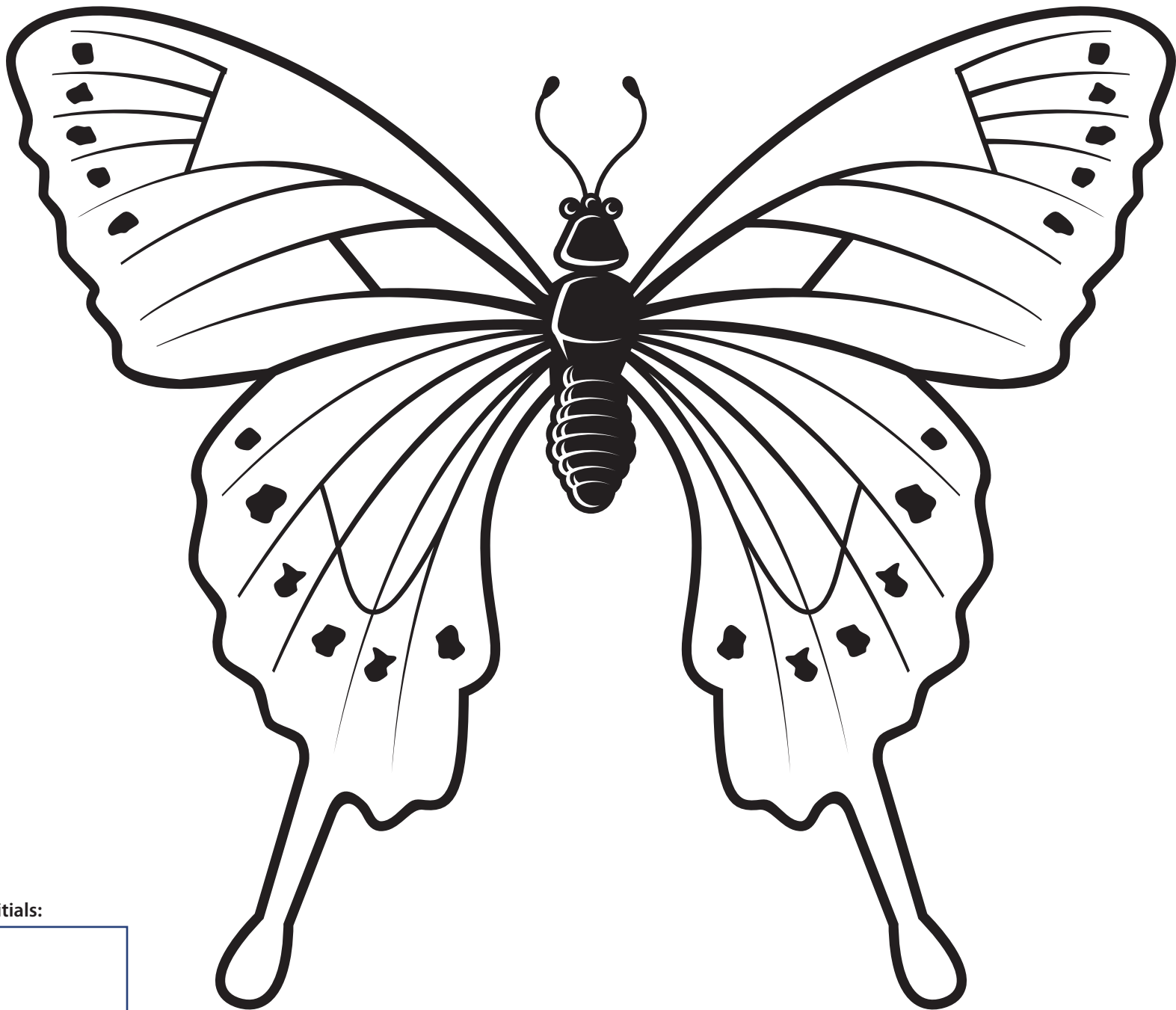
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The Red Hawks junior badminton team members from left Hannah Klose, who finished fourth with mixed doubles partner Dylan Smith, singles silver medallist Chris Thompson, and girls' doubles gold medalist team of Jamie Little and Kenndal Marsden hold the Central Ontario Secondary School Athletics championship trophy after finishing with the best total score on Thursday, April 23 in Brighton. The entire team earned points to the team total. COSSA is the highest level of competition for juniors. Absent for the photo was Klose's doubles partner Smith, and boys' doubles team of Ben Schmidt and Mat Wilbee, who won gold. /DARREN LUM Staff



Hawks badminton teams rule COSSA courts

DARREN LUM

Staff Reporter

By all appearances the Red Hawks senior boys' doubles team of Caleb Schmidt and Curtis Ballantyne dominated the competition on Tuesday, April 21 at the Central Ontario Secondary School Athletics championship at Thomas A. Stewart Secondary School in Peterborough.

The team finished with a 3-0 (6 - 0) match record to win COSSA gold and earn a trip to the Ontario Federation of School Athletic Associations (OFSAA) championship from April 30 to May 2 in Markham.

Despite not dropping a game, the team's head coach Jason Morissette said their championship run didn't come without challenge, as the biggest test came from Port Hope in the second match, which ended 21-17 and 25-23.

The other wins were against East Northumberland Secondary School and Cobourg District High School.

The coach said one of the things that stood out for his doubles team at COSSA was how well they were able to execute the "rotational play."

This is invaluable for success in the doubles game.

For example, when one of the pairs players hits a smash the other player moves forward to pick up any short defensive returns. This kind of anticipation is an integral attribute of a strong doubles team.

He noticed the successful execution of the ever-chang-

ing formation started back at the Kawartha championship level.

Schmidt is new to rotational play, as he played mixed last year where it is not used.

His successful transition along with Ballantyne's continuation of refining his execution was a factor in the recent result.

Despite the success this season, Ballantyne has been playing catch up because of the late start caused by the post-season drive he had with the school's hockey team that played this spring in the all-provincials.

There's no substitute for court time, the coach said.

Morissette said another attribute of the team is its mental toughness.

Sometimes if one player loses his or her temper it can adversely effect his or her partner, he said.

The team's other strength is how Schmidt's skill set of playing up at the net is similar to Tanner Hamilton, Ballantyne's doubles partner last year. Hamilton and Ballantyne won bronze at the all-provincials last year.

Ballantyne's court experience at the higher level and badminton skill has instilled confidence into Schmidt, who has been enabled to take more risks.

Morissette likens it to when a hockey team has a strong goaltender and feels less anxiety about allowing the other team to shoot.

The coach thought of pairing up the two this season, believing in their skills and strengths would be a complement.

At the beginning there was a lot of pressure on Schmidt to perform, considering Ballantyne is among the top seniors on the team with an expectation to return to the all-provincials.

Schmidt was aware of this and excelled under the pressure.

Since Schmidt is only in Grade 11, he will be eligible to return to all-provincials next year, which is already an expectation of his.

"Hopefully that will be the goal too," he said.

One advantage for their team, he said, is that Ballantyne is left-handed while Schmidt is right-handed.

"If I'm going for my backhand then he is right there to get it with his forehand [if I miss]," he said.

Schmidt appreciates being able to carry on this tradition of family excellence in sport.

His older brothers Jesse and Darcy earned all-provincial berths with the Red Hawks badminton team.

He's proud to continue the tradition of excellence.

Even before the pair was formed, Ballantyne took

notice of his younger teammate.

It helped him get a sense of who he was playing with when he watched Schmidt play in previous years.

"He's an all-around really good player. He's got a wicked smash. He's really good at drop [shots]. It's good to have him as a partner," he said.

With his OFSAA experience and the upcoming all-provincials in Markham again, Ballantyne has reassured his partner by telling him what he can expect.

This is quite likely Ballantyne's last year and the significance isn't lost on him.

"Hopefully we can do good. As good as last year maybe if not better. We'll see how we do," he said.

He started with the badminton team in Grade 10 and won gold at COSSA as a singles' player.

In hindsight, switching to doubles last year was the best thing for on-court results, as he cannot imagine getting as far in singles since seeing the skill and calibre of singles players.

Morissette said this team was also motivated by the opportunity to play at the facility in Markham where the 2015 Pam Am Games Badminton Championships will be held.

Other COSSA senior results

Senior singles' player Noah Dollo finished third at COSSA. Girls' doubles team of Erin Little and Connor Marsden and boys' doubles team of Jaydon Wood and Devon Upton showed Hawks pride in never giving up.

Although success isn't just about winning, as it's also about reaching potential and having fun, Morissette said earning an all-provincial berth is inspirational.

"It's great for your whole team to see. It's good for your juniors to see," he said.

The junior Red Hawks came through in the clutch, winning the team COSSA championship in Brighton last week.

Although it was led by a gold medal from the girls' doubles team of Kenndal Marsden and Jamie Little, the entire team scored points for the win, which included a silver medal from singles boys' player Chris Thompson and a fourth place by mixed doubles team of Hannah Klose and Dylan Smith.

He points out success for everyone involved isn't about just winning, but being able to inspire others to do their best.

This success is important not only for the team, players and coaches, but also the school.

"Schools need good stories," Morissette said.

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Local rider readies for O-Cup

Haliburton's Owen Flood is looking to a successful O-Cup mountain bike racing season after finishing third overall last year in the seven-race series for junior expert (17 to 18) riders. Flood finished fourth recently at the Classic Uxbridge Icebreaker on April 19 and is using the race to prepare for the season. /DARREN LUM Staff file photo



DARREN LUM

Staff Reporter

It's all about the process for a local rider with his sights set on success in the Ontario Cup Mountain Bike Race Series.

Mountain biker Owen Flood, who is a Grade 12 Haliburton Highlands Secondary School, is coming off a fourth place finish in the Thirty Kilometres Enduro (15 to 18) Male race in the Classic Uxbridge Icebreaker on April 19.

Although it wasn't part of the upcoming O-Cup seven race series, the Arrow Racing rider said it was part of his preparation for the season.

"That race for me was to test my fitness and see how I was feeling in the weeks to the first O-Cup," he wrote in an email. "I was a few minutes off of a podium position. I have lots to work on and will keep training hard."

Rider Liam Mulcahy of Brooklin won with a time of

1:18:16.74

Part of his off season work included on and off the bike training (weight room).

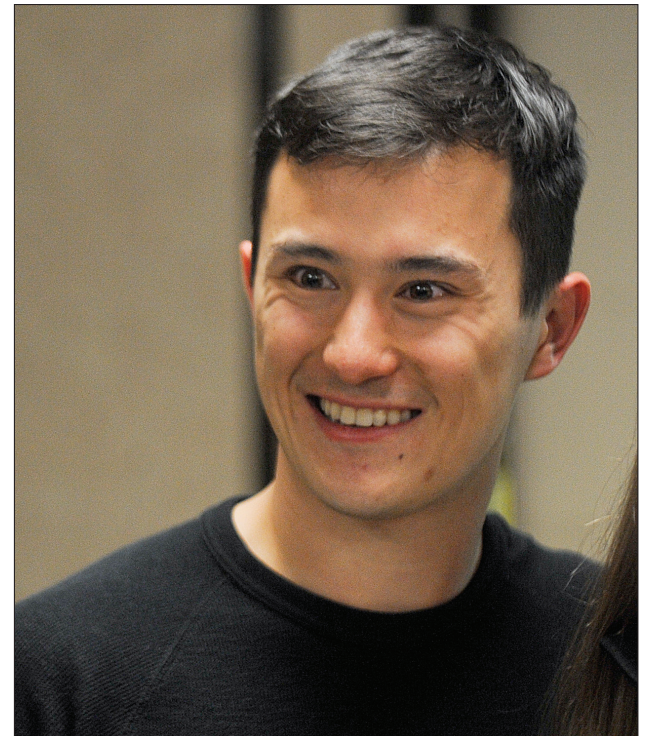
Flood is entering his final year in junior expert (17 to 18) and will move up to the under-23 next year.

The Haliburton teen finished third overall in the O-Cup series last year, highlighted by a second place in the seventh and final race. His 102 points (best five finishes of seven races) was just 20 points off the lead rider Mulcahy of Cycle Solutions Angry Johnny's and nine off of second place Bryan Meyers with Johnny's too.

Mulcahy is returning to junior.

However third overall finisher Meyers is not expected to return to junior, but Flood still knows there will be "lots of talent coming into the category this year."

"This season will be very tough but I have put in the work to do well and will keep putting in the work. I am hoping I fight for a podium at all races I attend this season," he said.



Highlands receives Stars

Four-time world champion and two-time silver medallist Olympian skater Patrick Chan poses with fans after a Stars on Ice open to the public rehearsal on Wednesday, April 22 at the S.G. Nesbitt Memorial Arena in Minden. Minden cottager and four-time world champion Kurt Browning, who choreographs Stars on Ice, brought the cast of the show to rehearse from Tuesday, April 21 to Saturday April 25 at the Minden arena. The show is celebrating its 25th anniversary. See story in the Minden Times./DARREN LUM Staff

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80 year olds celebrate birthday en masse

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Wasn't that a party. Smiles, greetings, friendly hugs and hand shakes all in delight at seeing old friends and family members and enjoying time together. Tasty refreshments with tables arranged for sitting down while visiting. Friendly country music live from the stage.

What a successful happy event the Reunion of Friends Turning 80 was. At

the Lloyd Watson Memorial Centre all afternoon on Saturday, April 26 the birthdays being celebrated were those of folks now or formerly from this area who would reach the grand age of 80 this year, last year or next year.

Many of the celebrants and their families brought along family and community pictures that displayed many of the people and events that were important in their lifetime. How interesting and informative to view these treasured pictures, real heritage moments gladly shared.

Certificates from the Municipality of Highlands East were presented to the celebrating 80 year olds.

A special presentation was made to Colleen (Robinson) Riley who taught the

junior classes, grades 1 to 4 at the Wilberforce Elementary School in the mid 1940s. Much to her delight a number of students from those years were among the celebrants attending. They shared some good memories and Colleen was presented with a lovely bouquet of flowers.

Thanks to Mary Harnden who led the organizing of this welcome event and to all her supporters and workers. It was greatly appreciated. Providing music for the occasion was a band of local musicians. Thank you to Carmen Coumbs, Glen Madill, Larry Strong, Rick Stamp and Phillip O'Reilly for well loved country songs that brought good memories.

A very memorable afternoon that will long be remembered.

That gathering helped cheer the com-

munity a little as so many here are in sorrow, saddened by the untimely death of a fine young boy. Taylor Donaldson – son of Laura Fideau and Ken Donaldson and brother of Isaiah, Dillon and Daniel – died as the result of a car accident on April 19. Sympathy is extended to all of Taylor's family and friends.

A funeral service will be held on Sunday, May 3 at the Lloyd Watson Memorial Centre beginning at 1 p.m. Reception to follow. As expressions of sympathy donations may be made to the Wilberforce Elementary School.

The local curling club will celebrate a good season with the annual awards dinner. It will be held at the Wilberforce Legion on Thursday evening April 30.

West Guilford residents rake in honours

community news

west guilford

Eleanor Cooper
754-2278

Congratulations to Haliburton Highlands Brewing initiated and operated next door to us on the road past Abbey Gardens. Jewelle and Michael Schleidel-Webb can be justly proud of their gold award

for their honey/maple combination which was judged at the Ontario Brewing Awards held on April 9 in Toronto.

Once again we applaud Matt Duchene as he represents Canada at the International Ice Hockey Federation World Championships in the Czech Republic. His parents Chris and Vince Duchene, grandparents Emile and Jane of West Guilford can be justly proud of this honour.

Ellie Burden, daughter of Chad and Stephanie Burden, was in the award-winning dance group who performed so well in Collingwood for the Bedazzled Dance

Champions last week.

Sock Hop was an outstanding success on April 25 as D.J. Ron Murphy hosted the event which began with a spaghetti dinner at 5 p.m. and went on to auction and, finally dance to the tunes of the '50s and '60s. Canoe FM is the recipient of funds raised by this entertaining evening.

Thanks to all the volunteers who worked to make this happen!

Euchre on April 21.

High - Tina Hadley and Henk van Nood

Low - Bev Kerr and Ed Muenzel

Most Lone Hands - Lorraine Draper and Robert McIvor

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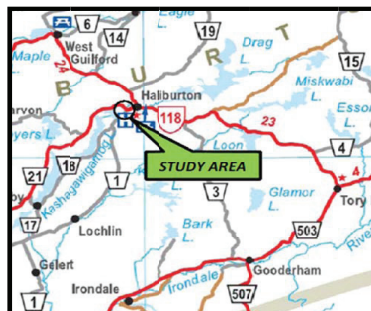
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Notice of Commencement
Municipal Class Environmental Assessment
Rehabilitation of Head Lake Bridge
County Road 21, 1.5 km west of Highway 118

The County of Haliburton is undertaking the rehabilitation of Head Lake Bridge in order to address structural deficiencies identified in previous engineering studies.

Planning of the project is proceeding in accordance with the Municipal Class Environmental Assessment documentation, October 2000, as amended in 2007 and 2011. As a 'Schedule A+' undertaking, the public is to be notified prior to project implementation.

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For more information on this project, please contact:

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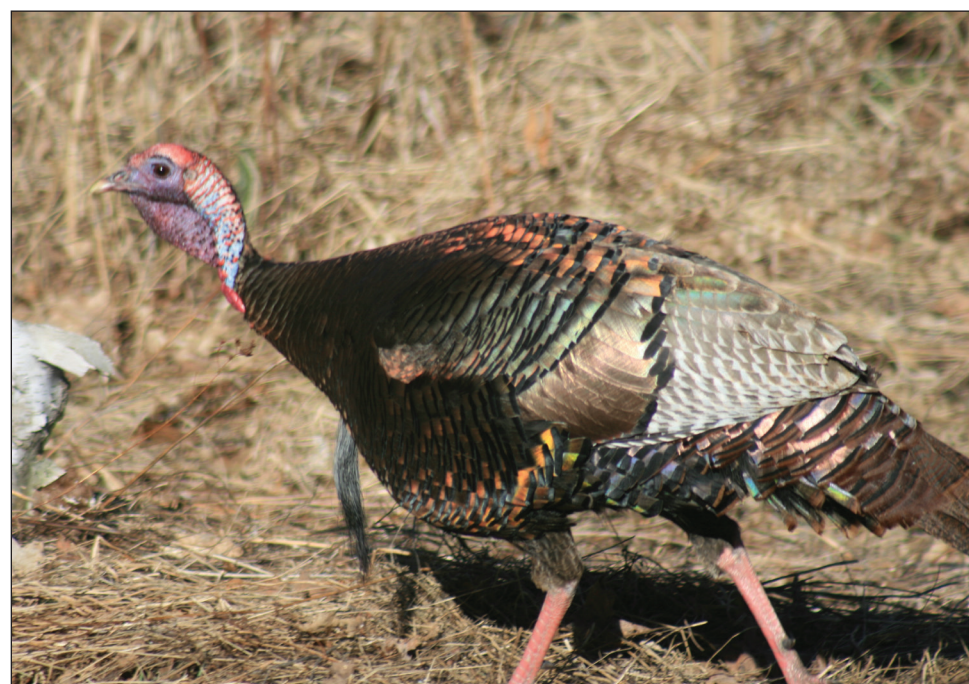
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Dated at the County of Haliburton April 17, 2015

Wildlife in your backyard



A beaver checks out its marsh in spring at Belinda Gallagher's house.



Wild turkeys are on the move in Highlands East. Photo by Belinda Gallagher

The dawning of the age of asparagus

Maybelle's



Fireside stories

Why if spring hasn't finally paid us the honour of showing up, don'tcha know. Sure, you can see signs of it everywhere. The lake, finally free from ice, shimmers in the sun like a teenager's

sequined skirt. The birds, loud and noisy, rap stories about their winter escapades and misadventures. Remnants of last year's gardens, finally exposed, gasp for air to the cue to start growing again. And of course, ol' Maybelle's favourite sign of spring... fresh asparagus in our own Lake WhaddyathinkI mean Grocery and Shoe Repair, don'tcha know.

Oh, those lovely spear headed green stalks loaded with nutrients: fiber, vitamins A, C, E and K, as well as chromium, a trace mineral that, get this, helps insulin transport glucose from the bloodstream into cells, don'tcha know.

Now, is ol' Maybelle a smarty-pantser, or what? Well, SOMEBODY'S got to read the fine print!

But, really, why IS ol' Maybelle going on about a vegetable, for goodness sake? Do I own shares in mega asparagus fields? Are the Asparagus Growers of Outer, Inner and Middle Earth paying me to promote it? I mean, asparagus isn't exactly the Queen's diamonds, or a signed painting by Picasso, but as far as a deli-

cious tasting food that's also good for you goes... a-s-p-a-r-a-g-u-s is GOLD!

Why, asparagus along with avocado, kale and Brussels sprouts – is particularly rich in glutathione, which is one of those detoxifying compounds that helps break down carcinogens and other harmful things like free radicals, don'tcha know. And as far as ol' Maybelle's concerned, anything that might help protect against certain forms of cancer, is a good friend of mine!

Wait, there's more...

Another anti-aging property of this yummy spring veggie is the folate that works with Vitamin B12 to help prevent cognitive impairment. That's right. Just think ... no more walking into the kitchen, opening the fridge door and forgetting why you're there. Or picking up the phone and wondering: Who was I going to call? Or, trying to open the door to your house with the remote door opener for your car.

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Just sprinkle cooked asparagus spears lightly with virgin olive oil, a wee bit of freshly squeezed lemon juice and a dusting of sea salt. Um, yum, yummiest! Just make sure you don't overcook it.

You know what ol' Maybelle's having for dinner tonight?

STEAK.

Just kidding. I'm having meat balls and pasta. (Not).

I'm having fresh asparagus and a big ol' baked sweet potato with a healthy dollop of organic virgin coconut oil ... which by the way is another tasty food that helps keep my brain working.

More signs of spring?

My dear friend, Vilma Yucch, is busy tie-dying detachable sleeves for her new spring collection that will launch right here at the Lake WhaddyathinkI mean Bowlerama, Taxidermy, and Community Hall, don'tcha know. And, if her tie-dye fabric design doesn't include the image of asparagus. I think her hair is next. She's already got the shoes to match.

Beanpole Starkman's got spring fever, too. Can't keep the man inside. Why that's him, right now, flying over my cottage in his Tiger Moth bi-plane. Here, I'll open the window.

Why...look at that...his figure eight just turned into ... a bunch of asparagus? Oh my, it's CONTAGIOUS!

What's that Bogart? My pet bear just came into the room. I can't hear you, dear. Turn on your voice-thought synthesizer

cap so I can hear what you're thinking.

"Mama, Maybelle. I want a kilt. The Lake W bagpipers are practising in the park in their kilts and I want one, too."

And here I thought you'd be saying something about asparagus.

"Oh yeah, I want some of that, too."

Like I said before, spring has sprung and with it...lighter brighter thoughts... loads of fresh air, Mother Nature's numerous songs, the creativity bug, an overall ambrosia of new beginnings and, of course ... asparagus.

Maybelle's Fireside Stories is written by Jerelyn Craden. Jerelyn's novel, Vessie Flamingo Outshining the Moon, is available at amazon.com

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If interested in this opportunities, please submit a resume in confidence by May 15, 2015 to:

Human Resources
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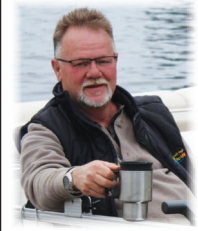
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Friends are invited to join the family in the Ballroom of the Pinestone Resort, 4252 County Road 21, Haliburton on Saturday, May 2, 2015 for a time to Celebrate Alex's Life beginning at 2:00 pm. Alex loved a good story or a joke and his family would like his friends to come and share their stories, jokes, shenanigans and fond memories.

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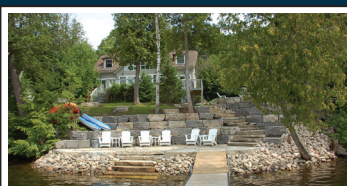
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LUXURY ON KASH LAKE

Over 3200sf living space. Guest bunkie/boathouse, det dbl grg w/insul workshop. Gourmet kitchen, massive windows, stone fp, master suite retreat & so much more.

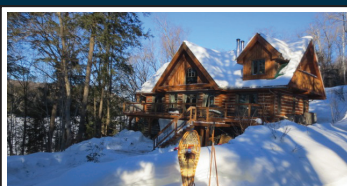
\$1,180,000



5 LAKE CHAIN

Charming home or cottage with English country cottage feel. Post & beam, amazing views facing west, excellent shoreline.

\$999,000



DRAG LAKE

Log & Timber Frame crafted 3200sf masterpiece. 4 season paradise on 318' frtg. Conveniently 5 minutes to village.

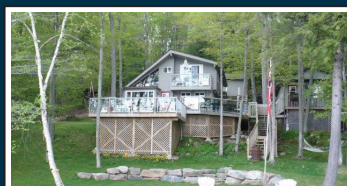
\$995,000



PEACEFUL LAKEFRONT PARADISE

Over 3000sf Upper Canada post & beam on 17 ac with only 4 other owners & Crown Land. Awesome features, trails, maple syrup bush, dbl garage, sauna & more!

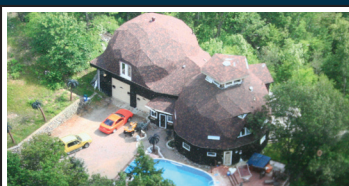
\$799,999



LONG LAKE

1.5 stry cottage & 2BR winterized bunkie. Lakeside sauna, heated garage, Lots of decks & docking. Clean swimming. 2 lake chain.

\$564,500



BREATHTAKING VIEW!

Unique & fun architecture. Custom spacious multi-level 4BR. Panoramic views in observatory off the master! Att dbl grg & det 3car grg. All on nearly 5 ac.

\$499,000



KENNISIS LAKE

4 season. Sunset exposure. Spacious level lot. Oak cabinetry, B/I appliances, cathedral ceiling, 3BR/2Bath. Great shoreline, large dock system.

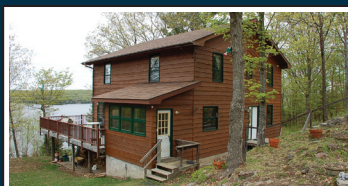
\$495,000



BEAUTIFUL MOOSE LAKE

Spacious 3BR 4 season cott or home. Full fin bsmt, lg screen porch, sundeck w/glass panels, wood FP. Level lot, great shoreline, dbl garage & more! Watch sunsets from the dock.

\$485,000



SOYERS LAKE

View, privacy, 5.4 ac, maple for syrup. 5 lake chain. Clean, deep sh. dbl deck & screen porch for sunsets! Custom built home, stone wood burning fp. Main fir laundry.

\$479,000



MAPLE LAKE

4br cott & separate deeded lot. Level & sunny, pure sand shore. Garage & shed. Excellent fishing, 3 lake chain. A great family cottage property.

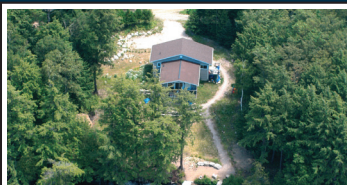
\$449,750



OTTER LAKE TRANQUILITY

4 Season Royal Home/Cottage. 8.84 acres, 379 Ft. FRGTG on a no motor lake. 3+2 BR. Open Concept, Fireplace, Large Windows, Spacious Deck.

\$439,900



GLEN LAKE

Cottage in ski area! Spring fed lake - quiet & private. Sunset exposure. Fully furnished & move in ready.

\$433,000



KASHAGAWIGAMOG LAKE

4 season home or cottage. Close to village by boat or car. Open concept. Full fin bsmt. Cottage & then retire.

\$399,000



KENNISIS LAKE

Private lot with 320 ft frtg. 2 Bedrm cottage, sunporch, stone fireplace. 2 Stry bunkie a great retreat for guests. Beautifully treed and great views.

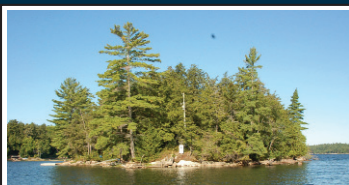
\$388,000



COMMERCIAL LOCATION

Pride of ownership. Many recent upgrades. Currently 3 tenants. Separate 2BR home. Many possibilities on this Hwy 35 location.

\$359,000



KENNISIS-ISLAND COTTAGING

Private 1.59 ac island. 3BR tucked in the trees. Panoramic views. Stones throw from the mainland.

\$359,000



CUSTOM BUILT HOME

Bright beautiful 3BR, cath ceilings, spacious oak kitchen, Oversized grg with finished loft. 1/9th ownership in Miskwabi Access Lot.

\$349,000



PERCY LAKE

Cozy 2BR yr rnd cottage. Sunny deck, south exposure & gorgeous views. Bunkie. Well treed & private.

\$339,000



LOON LAKE

Level lot, sun all day. Sand shoreline. Great fishing & boating. 4 season 3BR, 4pc bath cottage. Screen porch. Close to Haliburton.

\$314,500



DRAG LAKE

Traditional 3BR cottage has great potential. Sand beach. Level lot. Great views. Year round road.

\$310,000



BITTER LAKE

Affordable cottaging. Yr rnd road. Sun all day, sand shoreline. Fish Bitter & Burdock Lakes. 2BR, 4pc. Garage! Very nice & tidy.

\$299,700



MINNICOCK LAKE

Total privacy. 170' frtg, natural treed lot. Crown Land & share in 88 ac. Low maint Royal Home construction. Winterized 2 Bedrm.

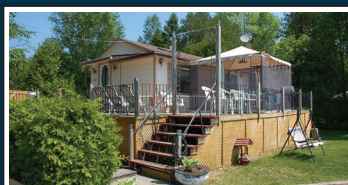
\$298,000



HALIBURTON LAKE

Very cute & clean 2BR cottage on water's edge. Private. Upgrades to cottage. Enjoy it year round. Great opportunity on this popular lake.

\$282,500



GREEN LAKE

Year round waters edge cott/home with gorgeous sand beach. Full w/o basement. Wrap around deck. Near golf course, ski hill, & shopping.

\$279,900



HALIBURTON-SUNNYSIDE ST.

Walk to town. Treed private lot. Open concept, vaulted ceilings. Large wraparound deck. Huge recroom, Insul det garage. Nice design. Fresh Paint & Shingles!

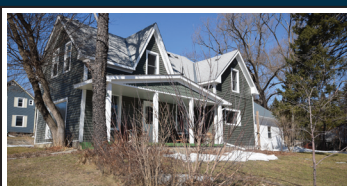
\$259,950



HALIBURTON, RIDGEVIEW ROAD

Sprawling 3BR ranch bungalow. Private landscaped lot. Att garage, 1BR apt, Excellent value for 2600sf.

\$258,000



CHARMING HALIBURTON HOME

Walk to amenities, great home-business location. 2 stry, 3BR, totally renovated. Clawfoot tub, pellet stove, Covered verandah. Great character.

\$248,500



WEST GUILFORD HOME

Great potential with Commercial Zoning, 2.33 ac lot & 496' frtg. Att garage. Green Lake across road.

\$235,000



PINE AVE, HALIBURTON

Newly renovated, great neighbourhood. Nice curb appeal. 3 bedrm, large screen porch. All on one level, landscaped, private back yard.

\$214,900



WEST OF HALIBURTON

Sprawling 5BR bungalow with many upgrades. Dbl det garage. Huge deck. Very spacious family home. Lake access nearby.

\$165,000



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